

The People's Column

Another of Bryan's and College tation's good citizens has been called by the city. Colonel Ashburn, secretary of the Ex-Students' association of A. and M. College and former commandant of the college, has been named vice-president and general manager of the Houston Chamber of Commerce. Although it is with keen regret that local persons see Colonel Ashburn leave here, we all feel that Bryan's hard luck is Houston's good luck. If the directors of the Houston organization had searched the country over they could not have found a more ideal man for the place than Colonel Ashburn. Able, accommodating and courteous he is well equipped for his new place. His pleasing personality will enable him to meet the nation's capitalists and builders on a level. His vision and foresight, along with his other qualities, should prove invaluable to the organization that hopes to make Houston one of the leading cities of the South. Colonel Ashburn has the best wishes of the entire citizenship of Brazos county.

ABOUT BRYAN

The Board of Directors of the Bryan Cemetery Association is called to meet in regular session, Thursday morning at 10 o'clock at the City National Bank. This official announcement is made by George A. Adams, president of the Board.

Mrs. Frank Horlock was taken to Houston Saturday with the intention of having an operation for appendicitis. She was accompanied by Mr. Horlock, who returned today. He states that the physician advised her waiting a few days before attempting an operation. —Navasota Examiner. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Horlock formerly lived in Bryan and have many friends here who will regret to know of her illness.

"When I Was 21"

HENRY LOCKE

"When I was 21 I was running a confectionery by the name of Lawton & Locke in Bryan where Holmes Bros. confectionery is located now," said Henry Locke, owner of the Model Tailors. He operated this place for two years it being destroyed by fire. After the fire he was employed by Howard Cavitt in a drug store, where he remained for six months. His next job was with the City National Bank, where he stayed a year. Apparently being tired of changing jobs so frequently he went to work for A. and M. Wal-drop & Co., where he remained for 13 years. "Was it a lucky 13?" we asked him. "Yes, for me," he answered.

Before he was 21 Mr. Locke worked in the Lawrence Grocery store, which means that he has worked at almost every kind of business. When a boy he attended country school at Cottonwood and later finished at Allen Academy.

In 1922 he opened up the Model Tailors, and has been up and at it ever since, having built up an unusually large patronage. His business has increased every year, in good times and in bad times. October in Bryan is the best month in the year for the tailoring business, while August is the poorest. The many big football games held in October are largely responsible for the increase in business in that month. Another factor is the many old clothes that people dig up out of the cedar chest and send down to have pressed for winter wear.

Mr. Locke's customers among the women are about as numerous as among the men, his ladies trade being 50 per cent of the volume of business. Bryan people may be good money-spenders but they do not leave any of it around in the pockets of clothes sent to the tailor. Mr. Locke said one time he found \$64 in a man's pants and the fellow was after the money before he could get the clothes pressed. He said that men frequently left letters in the pockets and especially bills. Occasionally a valuable lapel pin finds its way to the tailor shop. The ladies occasionally leave pins in their dresses. Although old men need most to have their clothes in good order, young men are his best patrons by far. "If a man will keep his suit clean, its life will be greatly prolonged. A suit should be cleaned every month, whether apparently it needs it or not. In former years men never thought of having their suits cleaned—they wore them dirty until they were worn out," said Mr. Locke.

COTTON TAKES SLIGHT ADVANCE ON NEW FIGURES

BRAZOS COUNTY POULTRY SHOW POSTPONED ONE WEEK

ALTHOUGH INCREASE OF 200,000 BALES PREDICTED, PRICE SPURTS

Latest Government Forecast Is 18,618,000 Bales; Estimates Indicate 18,365,000 Acres Planted in Texas With Yield of 5,900,000 Bales.

(Associated Press)
NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 8.—Government report induced spurt buying which forced prices up as much as 22 points, but prices eased again.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—United States crop is 18,618,000 bales not including linters, estimated for this year by the Department of Agriculture in report today based on conditions at December 1. Increase 219,000 bales over forecast fortnight ago. Last year's crop was 16,103,679 bales. Cotton total yield per acre estimated at 187 pounds lint compared with ten-year average of 157.7. Estimates indicate Texas planted 18,365,000 acres and will produce 5,900,000 bales. Reports showed cotton of this year's growth gained prior to December 1 totalled 14,644,966 running bales, exclusive of linters. Ginnings in Texas were 4,647,920 bales.

OVER 2 INCHES OF RAIN FALLS ON WEDNESDAY

MORE THAN 3 INCHES OF PRECIPITATION IN PAST TWO DAYS

Rain continues to fall throughout Brazos county and up to noon today 2.30 inches had fallen in Bryan according to the standard gauge maintained by the Eagle Printing Company. The rain of yesterday measured 1.03 inch, making a total of 3.33 inches. Branches and small creeks around Bryan are reported out of banks and the Country Club lake is over flowing.

FIVE PARDONS TUESDAY QUOTA

(By Associated Press)
AUSTIN, Dec. 8.—Five full pardons, one parole and one extension of a furlough were granted Tuesday by Governor Miriam A. Ferguson.
Full pardons were granted Frank Robinson, Fort Bend county; Bob (R. J.) Davis, Hunt county; E. J. Johnson, Tarrant county; Simeon Hays and Tom Hays, both of Cass county.
H. F. Strickland was paroled to Theo. P. Meyer of Houston. E. M. Sanderson was granted a 15-day extension of a furlough.

Cotton

Cotton futures quoted from 3 to 3 points down. Local spots quoted at 10 3-4 cents per pound.

Henry Locke Appointed Director Of Bryan Lions' Club Minstrel Show To Be Held in January for Haswell Park

Henry Locke, local business man, has been appointed director of the big minstrel show to be given in January by the Bryan Lions Club, it was announced at Tuesday's meeting. Definite plans already have been made for the show by J. Bryan Miller, general manager. One of the greatest arrays of talent ever flashed before a Bryan audience will be seen in this dazzling minstrel performance. In the specialty feature will be many of the best entertainers in Central Texas, and a number of them already are being engaged. The Allen Academy Band, which will play for the national Lions' Club convention at Miami, Fla., will be one of the specialty attractions. Mr. Miller announced that the end men, who play the leading part in a minstrel show, will be chosen from Jess Hensarling, Rip Erskine, Samuel Eberstadt, Bill Wimberly, Jack Johnson, Marshall Bullock, and several out-of-town singers. He said that Ty Cobb probably will be the interlocutor. Mrs. Roy Danforth has been chosen as pianist for the show.

Rev. Watts Speaks
Tuesday's meeting of the Lions' Club was featured by an address by Rev. T. G. Watts on "Progress of Great Reforms in the world and Especially in the United States." His splendid address pointed out that it required 1,500 years of the laws against worshipping idolatry to become effective universally, and that it took 64 years to en-

EDWIN DENBY TO TESTIFY IN FALL OIL CASE

WILL TRY TO SHOW THAT DOHENY DID NOT KNOW OF THE LEASE

Doheny Appears

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Edwin S. Denby, former Secretary of the Navy, was called as defense witness in Doheny-Fall conspiracy trial today by defense in effort to show Fall knew no details of Elk Hill's oil lease. Defense said Doheny himself probably will take stand. Doheny is suffering with infected arm appeared today with member in sling and bandages.

Dan and Jim Will Meet Face to Face On December 13th

(By Associated Press)
AUSTIN, Dec. 8.—Law in Texas, in an apparently insignificant article of the revised statutes is designed to bring victor and vanquished face to face on December 13.
This article prescribes that on the fortieth day after the general election, which fell on November 2, the day of election excluded, and not before, the secretary of state in the presence of the governor and attorney general, shall open and count the returns of the election.

Thus Governor Miriam A. Ferguson, whose spectacular single term as chief executive of Texas is rapidly coming to a close, will come face to face with Attorney General Dan Moody, governor-elect, who rolled up a huge plurality against her in the first democratic primary, and who over-whelmingly defeated her in the runoff.
So far as known, the governor and the governor-elect have not spoken to each other since they engaged in the unusual gubernatorial campaign last spring. It was reported that former Gov. James E. Nor, and Dan Moody met in the north, and Dan Moody met in the foyer of the state house once, but their greetings were hardly lukewarm.

Missouri Pacific To Present A. & M. With a Locomotive

COLLEGE STATION, Dec. 8.—Preliminary plans for the program that will mark the presentation here Dec. 11 by the Missouri Pacific line of a steam locomotive to Texas A. and M. College were announced Tuesday following a conference of officials of the college and railway system. The locomotive is to be used in the school of engineering laboratory.

B. R. Safford, executive vice-president of the Missouri Pacific lines in charge of Texas properties, with headquarters in Houston, will be here to deliver the presentation address, President T. O. Walton of A. and M. will accept the gift on behalf of the college.
If weather permits, the presentation ceremony will be held in the open beside the locomotive on the tracks of the railway company. If weather is inclement, the ceremony will be held in Guion hall.

The presentation is said to be the first of its kind in Texas. The locomotive is at present being given a thorough overhauling in the shops at Palestine.
A. F. Judd, Houston, superintendent of the I.-G. N. railway, one of the Missouri Pacific lines, and Malory McDonald of the Missouri Pacific Magazine, San Antonio, conferred with college officials on the presentation Tuesday.

Only 3 Pardons Granted Today

(By Associated Press)
AUSTIN, Dec. 8.—Three pardons and two paroles were granted by Governor Miriam A. Ferguson today, including pardons for Tom and Simeon Hays, convicted in Cass county of murder.

ONE KILLED AND TWO INJURED IN TEXAS FIRE

(By Associated Press)
RULE, Dec. 8.—One man was killed and two probably fatally injured in fire at Hagertown which burned three business buildings. Clarence Pilley was killed and Tom Park and Milton Steima crushed when wall fell on them.

Former Bryan Man Dies In Houston

Sam Levy, former prominent Bryan furniture dealer and owner of considerable property here, died in Houston early this morning, according to a telegram received by Joe Groginsky.
Mr. Levy, who is about 66 years of age, came to Bryan in 1883 and moved away from here eight years ago to make his home in Houston. Funeral services will be held in Helena, Ark.

Bachelors Better Keep Out of Rome

ROME, Dec. 8.—Italy's bachelors must pay for their freedom from matrimonial responsibilities after the first of the year. Spinster, however, will not be penalized for their unmarried state.
Premier Mussolini's Cabinet, which handled an enormous amount of work Monday from the creation of seventeen new provinces to report on recent border demonstrations, instituted a tax on male celibacy on the suggestion of the Premier in furtherance of the campaign against birth control which he initiated eight months ago.

Former Aggie Grad Way To Recovery

ARDMORE, Okla., Dec. 8.—Married on what was feared would be his deathbed, Hugh Dickson, formerly of Galveston, Texas, and a graduate of the A. & M. College of Texas, is rapidly recovering from diphtheria.

Dickson's bride was Miss Mona Ruth Webb and they were married recently by the Rev. D. A. Dawson. The clergyman and relatives of the couple stood outside the house, while Miss Webb, Robert Blakeley, the best man, and Dr. Gee, the attending physician, were at Dickson's bedside. The marriage service was read through a screen door.

From Mayor To Machine Helper In Penitentiary

HUNTSVILLE, Dec. 8.—Frank Collier, former mayor of Wichita Falls, today was at work as bookkeeper for the machine shop department in the penitentiary here.
A recent announcement merely said that Collier had returned from his home after a furlough of thirty days, which was granted by Governor Miriam A. Ferguson in order that he might recover from an attack of influenza.
Sunday visitors noted his presence among other prisoners in the prison. Inquiry developed that he had been an inmate of the institution for several days. He is regarded as a very capable bookkeeper. He expressed hope that his name might be included among those who may be given Christmas pardons. His wife recently was pardoned after conviction for participation in the killing of the young husband of the Colliers' daughter. Mrs. Collier was sentenced to ten years and Mr. Collier was given three years.

INCREASE IS ASKED FOR PRO ENFORCEMENT

CONGRESS REQUESTED TO PROVIDE FOR SECRET OFFICERS

\$250,000 Raise

REDUCTION OF \$12,000,000 UNDER CURRENT FUNDS REQUESTED

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Treasury asked Congress today to sanction employment of "under cover" men in prohibition enforcement in annual appropriation bill which asked that fund from which advances under cover operators may be increased from \$250,000 to \$500,000. Treasury bill of which prohibition item is part represented reduction of \$12,000,000 below current funds.

District Attorney Has 1,000 Batting Average In Cases

LAREDO, Texas, Dec. 8.—A mark for other prosecuting attorneys the country over to shoot at was set here recently by John A. Valls, district attorney of the 49th judicial district, who obtained 100 convictions in 100 cases tried during a single term of court. The last of the cases was tried here November 20.

Valls' district is composed of Webb, Zapata, Dimmitt and Jim Hogg counties. He has served this district long and faithfully as district attorney.
The sentences ranged from fines of \$50 and costs with 30 days in jail to 10 years in the penitentiary. There were 111 cases on the criminal docket. Of these 100 were tried, one was dismissed by the district attorney, and in the other ten cases the defendants had already been convicted, and these ten cases were held in abeyance.

Convictions obtained by the district attorney: driving automobile while under the influence of intoxicating liquors, 39 cases; violation of liquor laws, 10; burglary, 5; theft 14; aggravated assault, 10; unlawfully carrying arms, 4; forgery, 5; swindling, 2; unlawfully practicing medicine, 2; adultery, 1; sodomy, 1; cases concerning delinquent children, 4; negligent homicide, 1; using automobile of another without his consent.

Runner Safe As Players Sit Down With Big Splash

FORT WORTH, Texas, Dec. 8.—A comedy of muddy weather is related by Lou North, Fort Worth Panther hurler, who was one of the actors in the comedy.
Pittsburg was playing St. Louis. The score was tied one and one in the eighth inning when Lou went in as relief hurler for the Cards.

The first ball he pitched was bunted down the third base line and North went after it at top speed. When he struck the muddy path his feet went in different directions and the pitcher sat down with a splash.
The ball continued to roll, and Dog Lavan, playing shortstop, saw it was up to him to come to the rescue. As the runner neared first Doc closed in on the pill and was just bending to scoop it up when his feet went the way North's had gone.

The two players sat looking at each other foolishly for a moment and then scrambled up out of the muck. The runner was safe.

55 Newspapers To Cover Trial

AUSTIN, Dec. 8.—Reservations have been made by S. A. Philquist, district clerk of the Fifty-third district court, for 55 newspapers and news agency correspondents for the trial of Rev. Frank Norris, Fort Worth Baptist preacher, charged with the slaying of Dexter Chipps, Fort Worth lumberman.
The trial is set for Jan. 10, 1927. It was brought to Travis county on a change of venue.

EXHIBITION PUT OFF ON ACCOUNT RAINS AND IMPASSABLE ROADS

"Poultry Show Will Be Bigger and Better as We Will Have More Time to Make Preparations for It," Says County Agent C. L. Beason, Wednesday Morning.

The Brazos County Poultry Show has been postponed until December 16, 17, and 18, it was announced by poultry club officials Wednesday morning. The recent rains and impassable roads make it impracticable to have the show this week, they said. "The Brazos County Poultry Show will be bigger and better as we will have more time to make preparations for it," stated County Agent C. L. Beason. Indications point to the best poultry show in the history of the county, it is said.

Extension Service Club Meets Dec. 9

The Extension Service Club will meet Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the home of Mrs. N. F. Rode, with Mrs. George W. Johnson as joint hostess.
Mrs. J. S. Mogford will give a demonstration in new ideas for making Christmas gifts. All members are urged to come and bring note books and pencils. This will be the last meeting until midnight of January 3.

Wealthy John M. Kiker Disappears

(By Associated Press)
SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 8.—Anna Mae Williams, Harlingen, asked police here to help her locate John Kiker, wealthy Harlingen man who disappeared in San Antonio several days ago. Miss Williams is second cousin of Kiker.

Flying Circus To Be Here Saturday

A flying circus, including three planes, from the University of Texas, will be at College Station Saturday and Sunday. The circus is named by Merrill and Hazard, two University students, who earn their expenses by taking up passengers over week-ends.
The planes will be located on a flying field about one-half of a mile on the other side of A. and M. College. These boys hope to stimulate an interest in aeronautics. Last week they were at Southwestern University at Georgetown. Sunday they will drop a dozen tickets at A. and M. that will permit students to receive free trips.
Billy Warren, a 17-year-old daredevil from San Antonio, will "Charleston" on the wings of a plane. Parachute jumping and wing walking also will be demonstrated.

Rebels Losing Out In Mexico Fights

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 8.—Defeat and dispersal of two rebel groups was announced by the government today. One headed by Eulogio Ortiz was defeated at Elsalitre. Other under Timoteo Gurrula, was crushed at Santiago Bayacora.

Mrs. Will Gibbs Presides At The Reading Meeting

In the absence of the president, Mrs. E. W. Bullock, the Bryan Reading Club meeting at Carnegie Library, Tuesday afternoon, was presided over by Mrs. Will K. Gibbs. During the brief business session, it was voted that the club give a Christmas party this year, same to be held next Tuesday afternoon, December 14, at the home of Mrs. Fred Jones at 3:30 o'clock. Every member is cordially invited to attend this Christmas social meeting.
Mrs. Lamar Jones led the program of the hour and introduced as the principal speaker, Prof. W. H. Thomas of A. and M. College, who gave a delightful lecture on the life of "Mark Twain." The entire club is appreciative of the splendid lecture and hope Prof. Thomas will again visit the club in the capacity of speaker on its programs.

REDUCTION IS ASKED BY A TEXAS SOLON

REPRESENTATIVE GARNER INTRODUCES BILL IN HOUSE TODAY

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Representative Garner of Texas today introduced Democratic Tax Reduction Bill asking reduction of \$335,000,000 at present session of Congress. Bill presented without comment and referred to House Ways and Means committee but Democrats concede it has little chance of passage.

Equalization Fee Is Presented By The Farm Bureau

(By Associated Press)
CHICAGO, Dec. 8.—Resolution approving principle of equalization fee in controlling surplus production was presented to American Farm Bureau today by resolutions committee.

Civil Engineers Endorse A. and M.

AUSTIN, Dec. 7.—F. E. Giescke, director of the University of Texas Engineering Experiment station, was Saturday elected president of the Texas section American Society of Civil Engineers, at the close of its annual meeting here. The convention endorsed the work and urged adequate appropriations for the A. and M. and University experiment stations, and endorsed and appointed a committee to work for legislative adoption of civil service for Texas.

Senator Golf Heads Investigating Body

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Committee appointed today to investigate reported payment of \$100,000,000 by Senator Gould to Canadian officials in connection with railway contract. Senator Golf of West Virginia, heads body.

"Rip" Collins Is Strong for Hunting

(By Associated Press)
AUSTIN, Dec. 8.—"Rip" Collins of Austin, Detroit Tiger hurler, never overlooks an opportunity to go hunting. The big pitcher is a sure shot with rifle or shot gun. Collins is a former Texas Aggie football star, and is yet rated by many Southwest Conference sport followers the greatest punter the conference has produced.

Senator Mayfield Receives Honor

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Senator Earle B. Mayfield of Texas was requested today at the White House breakfast conference.

The Weather

(Special to The Eagle)
NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 8.—For Bryan and vicinity: Tonight and Thursday rain.

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Much of the estimated cotton crop that the government has talked so much about will never reach the gin.

As for a future life, every man must judge for himself between conflicting vague probabilities.—Darwin.

"The salvation of our form of government lies in an immediate, full and angry realization of the crime situation."—Judge Marcus Kavanagh, Cook county superior Court, Chicago.

Let us all be happy and live within our means, even if we have to borrow the money to do it with.—Attentus Ward.

It is said if every farmer in Texas would raise eight 250 pound hogs every year, there still would not be a side of meat to ship out of the State.

What Brazos county and every other county in Texas needs is not to be gained by legislation and politics but by the farmer and business man doing some hard thinking of their own and co-operating together.

Why not a city auditorium for Bryan? Since Bryan is the acknowledged leader in things musical, and educational for this part of the State. We should have a suitable place to invite those interested in these arts to our town and community.

Dutch Hohn, former A. and M. football player, stated at Wednesday's meeting of the Rotary Club that he doubted if we appreciated the full value of A. and M. College to Bryan. We have called upon a few merchants here who have said: "We do not sell A. and M. College anything." And if it were not for A. and M. College they would not sell much to anybody.

Some one during the recent election said: "that no big business of the north and east would come to Texas unless governmental files of the State are corrected." Who ever he was he is mistaken. Big business is arriving daily in Texas from the north and east. You don't have to tell big business where pickings are rich and natural resources can be developed to make paying dividends. The eyes of the United States is upon Texas.

OVER FOOL'S HILL
Mothers and fathers should be interested in the fact that tuberculosis is increasing among young girls. Girls starve themselves to keep thin and tuberculosis germs attack a weak body with insufficient blood supply. The responsibility is largely with parents that lost all control of their children, beyond retaining the honor of paying their bills. Girls—and boys too—should heed the reminders of their parents and other qualified advisers who would steer them safely over "fool's hill" to longer and happier lives.—Mart Herald.

"PAY IT WITH PULLETS"
"Pay it with Pullets" is the slogan of farra boys and girls of Brazos county who will return to A. and M. College, who supplied them with eggs last spring on the return pullet plan. The boys and girls are members of poultry clubs conducted by the county agent and home demonstration agent. These pullets will be sold at auction on the last day of the Brazos County Poultry Association show to interest farmers in better poultry. This is a splendid plan of encouragement and while this is the first year it has been tried out in Brazos it is predicted it will bring great results and will be adopted as an annual affair.

ENCOURAGE DEVELOPMENT
The possibilities of Bryan and Brazos county are unlimited, and with the proper administration of city and county affairs, Bryan will be the metro polis of this part of Texas in a few years. Quite a bold statement, but there is no reason that it will not prove true. With educational advantages, agricultural resources unlimited and yet to be developed, and the advantage point of location for a territory of hundreds of miles, the opportunity is ours, we have but to make the most of it. Rome was not built in a day; nor is Bryan going to reach the class it should in a year, but she will have laid the foundation for just such a consummation, and it is only a matter of careful planning and enterprising administration on the part of our city management and the co-operation of its citizens to make this dream come true.

POSSIBILITIES OF PECANS

Brazos county is the natural home of the pecan, which can be made to yield enormous returns, with a little care and attention. Thousands of acres of river bottom lands now have the native trees and there are still thousands of acres that could be planted to trees that would produce pecans without much cultivation. There is no doubt but that pecans are among one of the South's best resources, we have but to develop it. Some of these days our land owners are going to awaken to this fact and the sooner they do, the more profit they are going to get from their lands.

Right here in Bryan pecan trees grow admirably. If you doubt this, you have but to visit the yards of A. M. Waldrop, Mrs. Mable Cantles, Walter Wippricht, Mrs. L. H. Tucker, W. B. Cole and others. They make pretty shade trees, even prettier than elm or hackberry and added to this they bring returns in nuts. Now is the time to plant trees. Why not make the slogan for Bryan and Brazos county "a pecan tree in every yard?"

I say the whole earth and all the stars in the sky are for religion's sake.—Walt Whitman.

Delphian Chapter Meets On Friday

The Bryan Delphian Chapter met in regular session on Friday afternoon at Carnegie Library. Mrs. M. Francis, president, presided over a brief business session. The subject for the afternoon was "The New World, and the relation of its Colonization to the Old World Conditions."

Under the leadership of Mrs. W. B. Cline, a most interesting program was developed as follows: Columbus, Mrs. G. L. Crawford; Later Explorations, Miss Callie Kern; First English Settlements, Mrs. J. S. McGofford; Conditions in England to 1640, Mrs. Geo. Elbert; Conditions in England to 1715, Mrs. H. Moehman; Conditions in France to 1715, Mrs. W. M. Owens.

In addition to the interesting text reports, current events were given informally by members, and the general discussion proved of more than passing interest. The next regular meeting will be on Dec. 17, with Mrs. H. Moehman, leader. Subject, "The 18th Century in England and America."

Dr. Searcy Off In Search Of Deer In West Texas

Dr. C. A. Searcy left Saturday night for Los Angeles, Texas, near the Mexican border, where he will join a party of friends in a hunting trip. Duck, quail and turkey will not be sought, but the antlers of a big buck is the chief goal of Dr. Searcy. In fact, he remarked that he would not return until he killed one, and his little daughter, Betsy, tearfully implored him to at least to return home for Christmas.

His brother-in-law, G. W. Lewis, who lives at Pearsall, and a number of old friends, will compose the party, and so emphatic was the Doctor in his declaration that he would bring back venison that a number of friends are having visions of a nice hunk of juicy venison in the near future.

Beason Reports Outlook For Big Poultry Show Good

County Agent, C. L. Beason, reports that the outlook for a big poultry show Thursday, Friday and Saturday is most encouraging. He predicts that if the weather is favorable, there will be at least 5,000 people in attendance, exhibits are not only coming from all over Brazos county, but likely many entries will come from Burleson, Washington, Grimes, Milam and Robertson counties. The show will be held in the Sebasta building on Bryan street, near the Dancy Furniture Co.

The Poultry Directory recently put out by the Brazos County Poultry Association is attracting considerable attention over the state, calls being made for it in quantities from 25 to 50. The bulletin is being used in a night poultry school conducted at Taylor, Texas. In less than five days after the Directory had been sent out, one advertiser received an order for 50 pullets. We need to advertise county products.

PICNIC PARTY ENJOYED
A delightful picnic party was enjoyed Saturday night by the Allen Academy boys' class of the College Avenue Baptist church, when the teacher, Mrs. Locke McNeely, assisted by Mrs. M. P. Walker and Mrs. R. B. Grant, gave to the boys and their girl friends a weiner roast on Carter's creek at the bridge. The party drove out from Bryan at 5 o'clock and had supper, returning about nine.

POPULAR EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF A. AND M. "EXES" IS TO RESIGN

Colonel Ashburn Named Vice-President and General Manager of the Houston Chamber of Commerce—Plans To Accept New Position on January 1, 1927.

Bryan and College Station regretted to learn today that one of their leading citizens, Colonel Ike Ashburn, had resigned his position as executive secretary of the Ex-Students' Association of A. and M. College to be effective January 1. He will become vice-president and general manager of the Houston Chamber of Commerce, succeeding Colonel H. H. Haines, who quit some time ago to become Republican candidate for Governor. Although his many local friends are glad to know of his advancement, they regret to lose one of the most active and useful citizens. He is a member of the Board of Directors of the Bryan and Brazos County Chamber of Commerce.

Colonel Ashburn was in Houston Sunday visiting F. M. Law and he said that he was happy to cast his lot with his many Houston friends. "I hope to take some part in making the Chamber of Commerce a vital factor in the life of the city," Col. Ashburn declared. "I hope to make it a service organization that will fulfill all of the requirements usually expected of a chamber of commerce."

Colonel Ashburn formerly was city editor of the Fort Worth Record. In 1915 he was appointed publicity director of the Agricultural and Mechanical College and he left that position to enter the army during the great war. He entered the first officers training camp at Leon Springs and was commissioned a major. He served overseas, was wounded in action and decorated for bravery. He was made a lieutenant colonel before the war ended.

Named Commandant.
In 1919 he returned to A. and M. college as commandant of cadets and served in that capacity for five years. He then was appointed executive secretary of the former students association. Through that position he has formed a wide circle of friends throughout the state.

Roger J. Seamon, acting general manager of the Chamber of Commerce, will resume his position as assistant general manager and manager of the industrial department. His salary was increased \$1200 a year by the directors. Colonel Ashburn said he would make no changes in the Chamber of Commerce personnel and that he contemplated no immediate reorganization.

"We will meet those problems when we come to them," he declared.

VISITORS IN BRYAN

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Clarke of Waco, who were born and reared in Brazos county, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Lawrence. Mr. Clarke married Miss Beattie Ross, daughter of Ex-Governor Ross and former president of A. and M. College. He formally was in business in Washington, D. C., and contemplated going into the manufacturing business in Houston.

Aggie Basket Ball Season To Open December 13

The Texas Aggies will open the 1926-7 basket ball season in College Station, December 13 and 14 with games with the Sam Houston Teachers' College. Last year the teams split a two-game series. A tentative game has been scheduled with the Houston Y. M. C. A. team to be played here Saturday, December 18. The Houston team includes a number of former Aggie stars. Another tentative game has been matched with the University of Oklahoma, to be played at College Station, January 4.

South America, With All Of Its Great Possibilities, Will Not Be a Rival Of United States in Cotton For Years

(Special to The Eagle).
COLLEGE STATION, Dec. 3.—While the potential cotton producing area in South America is very extensive and cotton growing is now being carried on there to considerable extent, South America is not likely under present conditions to play a very formidable role as competitor in that respect, at least not in the near future, in the opinion of Ernest L. Tutt, manager of the district office of the United States Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce at Houston. Mr. Tutt discussed cotton production in South America at a recent meeting here of the Social Science Seminar at the A. and M. College of Texas, appearing as speaker at the invitation of Dr. V. P. Lee, head of the department of marketing and finance.

Poor Methods.
Labor and cultivation methods are among the problems of cotton growing in Argentina and Brazil, outstanding among the South American cotton producing countries, Tutt said. Argentina has a cotton zone about half the size of that in the United States but scarcity of labor represents a serious drawback. Production in Argentina increased from 17,000 bales in 1922 to 135,000 bales in 1926 but the demand on labor brought about by the increase has forced wages up almost to the point where the cost become excessive, Tutt declared.

BAYLOR COLLEGE WOMEN WERE IN BRYAN ON SUNDAY

Mrs. W. G. Townsend, and Mrs. Susie Dalton of Belton, representing Baylor College, spent Sunday in Bryan as guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. McSwain. Both Mrs. Townsend and Mrs. Dalton spoke at the First Baptist church during their visit. Mrs. Townsend addressed the Sunday School, and Mrs. Dalton speaking to a joint meeting of the B. Y. P. U. Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. Monday morning, Mrs. Dalton visited the Bryan High School, meeting the girls of the Senior class who will at graduation be looking for college life, and spoke to the class about Baylor College, at Belton. The two ladies came to Bryan from Madisonville by automobile and departed at noon Monday in their car for Temple.

BABY OF MR. AND MRS. JOHN M. LAWRENCE, JR. CHRISTENED ON SUNDAY

A beautiful and impressive service at the First Methodist church in this city Sunday morning at the eleven o'clock hour was the christening of little Martha Mae Lawrence, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Lawrence, Jr., and Betty Ann McCartney, the baby daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. McCartney. The pastor of the church, Rev. H. H. McCain, was assisted in the beautiful christening service by E. J. Jenkins, chairman of the board of stewards, and Mrs. J. B. Priddy, chairman of the Baby Roll of the Sunday School. Exquisite roses in low bowls and also in flower baskets, made the altar a bower of loveliness, and as the dear little lives were christened with the ever sacred and beautiful words of the service, the audience felt the benediction of the solemn hour. The parents of these precious children were showered with loving good wishes by those present to witness the service.

CHRISTMAS TREE

A Christmas party, with a Christmas tree and program of holiday numbers will be given by Bryan Chapter No. 222, Order of the Eastern Star, at their chapter rooms in the Masonic Temple, Monday night, December 13. This is the regular meeting night and all members are urged to be present. This announcement is made at the request of Mrs. R. L. Brown, worthy matron of Bryan Chapter O. E. S. Mrs. Chas. F. Hillier is chairman of the committee on decorations; Mrs. R. E. Smith, entertainment, and Mrs. Morris Tatum of the committee on refreshments.

American Chicken Shipped To Farm In Ancient Greece

(By Associated Press).
NEW YORK, Dec. 6.—American chickens will soon cackle and crow amid the classic ruins of Greece. Bearing the blessing of an archbishop of the Greek Orthodox Church, 100 prize fowl from American poultry farms are on their way to rejuvenate Grecian poultry. Other chickens are soon to follow this first shipment. Some turkeys also will be sent and later, perhaps, some American pigs and cattle. The chickens of Greece and the Near East are all "sad birds." Therefore the importation of American poultry.

J. R. Sheppard Visiting Here From Colorado

J. R. Sheppard of Colorado, Texas, who lived in Brazos county for 35 years, is visiting W. F. Gibbs and other friends here. Mr. Sheppard, who is in the livestock and farming industry in Colorado, has been living there for 20 years. Mr. Sheppard had been attending the State Masonic meeting at Waco, and could not resist the temptation of coming back to his old home county. He has been attending these meetings regularly for 18 years, and always comes from aco to Bryan to see his old friends.

"Bryan is much improved. We used to have mud holes in the business section where the wagons would bog up instead of paved streets. Bryan is growing, too, and becomes more attractive each year," said Mr. Sheppard.

Texas Hangs Up Another Blue Ribbon Over Other States In National Egg Laying Contest

Special to The Eagle.
COLLEGE STATION, Dec. 6.—A state of numerous national records, Texas has hung up another blue ribbon this year over other states in the Union in the record made in the Texas National Egg Laying Contest, conducted by the poultry husbandry department of the A. and M. College of Texas. Scoring a total of 1443 eggs from a pen of five hens over 365 days, the Texas contest recorded the highest average production of eggs from a pen of five hens in all of the twenty official egg laying contests conducted throughout the United States during the contest year ending Oct. 31. Result of the contest has just been announced by D. H. Reid, head of the poultry husbandry department of the College. D. F. Irving, assistant professor of poultry husbandry, was superintendent of the contest.

The pen of five single-comb white Leghorn hens making the record is owned by L. C. Beall, Jr., of Vashon Washington, an outstanding breeder of such poultry. These hens were sent to the A. and M. College of Texas, where the contest was held, for care and feeding. The contest began Nov. 1, 1925, and ended Oct. 31, 1926. The record is only eight eggs less than the highest record ever made in the United States by a pen of five hens. This record was 1451 eggs in the 1924-25 Washington National Egg Laying Contest. The total of 1443 eggs represent the record in the Texas National Egg Laying Contest this year shows an average for each of the five hens of 288.6 eggs over the period of 365 days.

DEFENSE WINS A VICTORY IN O. LANGE CASE

MOTION OF DEFENSE TO CONTINUE CASE IN 1927 IS GRANTED
Attorneys for the defense won a victory in the Otto Lange case Friday morning when Judge J. B. Price of Bastrop granted the defense's motion to continue the case at the next term of court, which will be June 1, 1927. Defense made the application on the grounds that six of their witnesses were absent.

A previous motion of the defense for a change of venue on account of alleged strong anti-klan feeling in Burleson county was overruled by Judge Price. Lange was murdered on his front porch in 1923, and no indictment ever was returned until the June session of the grand jury.

Club Boys and Girls Have Big Time in Chicago

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 3.—Texas boys and girls attending the fifth national 4-H Club congress in connection with the International Live Stock Exposition here Thursday presented G. L. Noble, secretary of the national club committee, with a handsome Angola goat rug in appreciation of the entertainment they have received in Chicago. The presentation was made by Sparks McKay of Eddy, Texas.

Mr. Noble has had charge of programs for 1,200 young people from farms over the entire country. The Texas delegation has been busy throughout the week telling the world of the advantages of the Longhorn State. They attracted much applause with their big sombreros in the parade in the amphitheatre. At dinner Wednesday night members of the Texas clubs distributed little jars of figs from their home state. Open bolls of cotton in small cartons were handed out on another occasion, and again cotton seeds were peddled about by boys and girls to demonstrate the value of the seed in live stock feeding. Delicious grapefruit from the Rio Grande Valley and tasty pecans have found favor at the congress.

Rev. Thomson Is Given Party By Church Friends

On Tuesday evening the members of the College Methodist church surprised Rev. Jesse C. Thomas, pastor and Mrs. Thomas with an old fashion "pounding", in celebration of their return to College charge by the conference at Orange last week. The event was staged by the Sunday School Service Club, of which Mrs. S. D. Snyder is president and the Woman's Missionary Society and other organizations joined in heartily. Rev. and Mrs. Thomas had been invited to the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Ivey at Union Hall for dinner and on their return found

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Funeral Services Held For Miss Callie Tooke Who Passed Away After Long and Painful Illness

Miss Caroline Tooke, aged 75 years, died Monday afternoon at 4:20, December 6, 1926, at the home of her sister, Mrs. A. M. Rhodes, in this city after a long and painful illness. For several weeks past, her life has hung as a thread, and loved ones around her bedside knew that only a few days at best and she would be taken from them. But, with tender ministrings and loving care they "did what they could" for the one who, through her long and useful life had been "all in all" to every member of the family. "Forgetting herself, and always lost in loving service to others, Miss Callie Tooke, as her many friends knew and loved her, lived truly a beautiful life of useful service. Her heart felt the joys and the sorrows of others, her plans were made with the thought only of others, and her sweet, pure, unselfish life, like the fragrance of a flower, will live on forever in the hearts and lives she thus touched and glorified.

Miss Caroline Tooke was born in Columbus, Texas, January 18, 1851. In the year 1890 she came to live in Bryan with her sister, Mrs. A. M. Rhodes, and this city has been her home continuously since that date. She is survived

by five sisters: Mrs. A. M. Rhodes, Bryan; Mrs. Kate Henderson, Houston; Mrs. Bettie Kindred, Columbus; Mrs. Haywood Stockton and Mrs. Emma Nolen, both of Louise, Texas.

The funeral was held from her late residence this Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock and was conducted by her pastor, Rev. H. H. McCain of the First Methodist church, interment was made in the family lot at the Bryan City cemetery.

A favorite thought that ever characterized the beautiful life of Miss Callie Tooke was, "God will take care of all," and with a faith that grew stronger and brighter as the evening of life came on, she many, many times repeated this favorite quotation, and was comforted by its blessed words. Remembering this, Mrs. W. S. Howell, by request, sang the ever comforting hymn, "God Will Take Care of You", during the funeral service at the home.

The pall bearers were: Chas. W. Wether, F. L. Henderson, W. S. Higgs, Wilson Bradley, A. Benbow and John M. Lawrence.

Honorary: Robert Armstrong, H. O. Boatwright, E. J. Fountain, W. B. Cole, E. W. Crenshaw, J. H. Webb, W. E. Saunders, J. B. Stevenson and H. A. Saunders.

Lily Myers Bible Class Has Splendid Social Meeting

At the home of Mrs. Clarence Vick on College Avenue, the Lily Myers Bible Class of the First Baptist church, met Friday evening at 7:30 in regular monthly session with Mrs. Vick and Mrs. Roy Vick as joint hostesses. Mrs. P. S. Park, president of the class presided. The finances of the class were shown to be in good shape with pledges toward the fund for the new church paid, and the amount of the first payment in the bank. It was voted to give a "watch party" on New Year's night, to which affair the husbands of the class members are to be invited. In the Bible reading contest, Mrs. R. R. Ellis was leader, having read during the month the greatest number of chapters in the New Testament. Mrs. Park, presented Mrs. Ellis a pretty handmade handkerchief as an appreciation from the class.

At the close of the business session, the entertainment committee announced that the members of the class would be asked to take part on an impromptu program which would be "broadcast over radio". Each member gave "something" and as Mrs. Clarence Vick announced from the radio station the names of the producer, it soon resolved itself into a "concert" of fun. A little later in the evening, telegrams began to arrive from over the United States, "scoring" the "artists" for their contributions to the "concerts of the air".

A delicious refreshment course was served to the following members present: Mesdames W. C. Fountain, R. E. Ellis, Hendrix Conway, N. F. Lockard, F. S. Park, Henry Locke, James Page, A. S. McSwain, Florence Rice, Will Wimberly, Clarence Vick, Roy Vick and Miss Nannie Berryman.

Cotton Weighed In Bryan 21,792 Bales

The cotton wagon receipts weighed in Bryan warehouses up to close of business Saturday night were as follows:

Farmers Union	11,150
Parkers	8,270
Eden Gin	1,372
Total	21,792

Harris Well Is Making Showing

It is reported that the well at Stone City is making splendid showing, and those interested in the oil well are quite hopeful of success, stated C. A. Harris today. The well is down about 360 feet and is making splendid progress, it is said.

"Goose Hangs High," Little Theater Show Be Given December 14, Augurs Well To Be A "Knockout" -- Modern Play

The next play to be produced by the Bryan Little Theatre is entitled "The Goose Hangs High", and is right in line with the holidays and Christmas home-coming. It is full of good healthy, modern youth and depicts the thrills and fun of arriving home from college. You see real collegiate in action in their mad search for thrill such as were seen on the screen in "The Plastic Age".

They amaze their parents, with a new philosophy of life, but in an emergency they show a depth of character and an ability to cope with the situation that "mother" and "dad" did not know they possessed.

Friendship Bible Class Elect New Officers For Year

An important business meeting of the Friendship Bible Class of the First Baptist Sunday School was held Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock, it being the December business meeting. Plans were made for sending the annual donation of Christmas filled stockings to the children in Buckner Orphan Home, the box to be shipped Saturday, December 18. Each member of the class will bring her donation to this Christmas gift for the "kiddies", to the home of the class teacher, Mrs. Albert Buchanan, Friday night, December 17, at which time the box will be packed with an appropriate Christmas program given.

This being the time for election of class officers, the following were unanimously elected: Mrs. E. H. Gibbons, president; Mrs. Velma Graham, first vice-president; Mrs. Henry Rhodes, second vice-president; Mrs. J. P. Buck, third vice-president; Miss Allie Locke, secretary; Miss Eva Stewart, treasurer. Mrs. Albert Buchanan has been teacher of the Friendship Bible Class since 1917.

Ex-Students C.I.A. Plan Joint Banquet With A. & M. Exes

Monday night at the home of Mrs. J. M. Jones at College, the ex-students of C. I. A. met in delightful session with a fine attendance. Plans were discussed for a joint banquet between A. & M. and C. I. A. students, during the Christmas holidays, same to be given at Aggie Land Inn.

Several new names were added to the membership roll at this meeting and great interest manifested in the plan of activities of the organization as outlined for the year.

The following new officers were chosen: Mrs. Vera Foreman Price, president; Miss Lucy Harrison, vice-president; Miss Lois Gilstrap, secretary-treasurer. The next meeting of the C. I. A. Exes will be held with Mrs. Isabel Vaughn Lerner at her home at College Park.

Brazos County Man Given Citizenship By Governor "Ma"

AUSTIN, Dec. 7.—One full pardon and eight restorations of citizenship were granted Monday by Governor Miriam A. Ferguson. Five of the citizenship restorations were to persons who had been convicted of violating the prohibition laws and have served their sentences. Clemency proclamations are issued by the Governor now total 2,658, of which 548 were full pardons and 793 conditional.

The full pardon Monday was issued to Jim Porter, convicted in 1918 in Victoria county of criminal assault, with a sentence of from five to twenty-five years. He had been under parole, with more than eleven years to his credit. Clemency was recommended by Judge R. A. Pleasants of the Galveston Court of Civil Appeals, the proclamation stated.

Restorations of citizenship were to Melvin Adkins, Taylor county, theft of automobile, two years; A. Hensell, Polk county, liquor, two years; Claude Hallmark, Coke county, burglary, two years; Columbus Shaddix, Cass county, liquor, two years; Oz Redman, Shelby county, criminal assault, five years; Oscar Ross, Harrison county, liquor, one year; George Book, Brazos county, liquor, one year, and Willie Coleman, Lubbock county, liquor, three years.

Christian Church Forms A Splendid Endeavor Society

Since going into their new church home, the members of the Christian Endeavor Society of the First Christian church of Bryan, has re-organized and elected new officers as follows: James Ray, president; Miss Lyndall Henry, vice-president; Oliver Owens, secretary; J. M. Roach, treasurer; Miss Helen Dowling, pianist; Mrs. L. Guy Ament, chairman of program committee; Mrs. James Ray, Jr., chairman of entertainment committee. The newly organized C. E. Society will meet every Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the First Christian church.

CARROLL-BEAL WED. Miss Lizzie Beal, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Beal of Prospect was married Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock to Mr. Herman Carroll, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ab Carroll of Pasadena. Superintendent D. J. McDonald, officiating. The ceremony was performed at the home of Supt. D. J. McDonald. Immediately after the ceremony the happy couple went to the home of the bride's parents and remained until Monday, when they left by auto, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Ab Carroll for Pasadena.

The Eagle joins with the other Bryan and Brazos county friends in extending congratulations and good wishes to the happy couple.

Good Oil Well Near Brenham

BRENNHAM, Dec. 7.—With a showing of light oil, the Fitzsimmons-Konieczny well, about 10 miles from Brenham, is regarded the best of the wells at the Mill Creek field, and is expected to flow a large quantity of oil.

Tanks have been erected to store the oil, and a large tank of 50,000 barrel capacity will immediately be built.

Warm Weather Features Week

High temperatures characterized the past week, according to the official weather report. Statistics follow:

	Max.	Min.
Monday, Nov. 29	75	43
Tuesday, Nov. 30	73	44
Wednesday, Dec. 1	75	42
Thursday, Dec. 2	74	43
Friday, Dec. 3	76	56
Saturday, Dec. 4	80	61
Sunday, Dec. 5	71	56

The only precipitation of the week fell Sunday, December 5, which amounted to .03 inches.

Rainfall For Bryan More Than An Inch

Rain began falling last night in Bryan and continued at intervals until noon today. The standard gauge maintained by the Eagle Printing Co. registered 1.03 inch fall in Bryan. Reports given out by the local telephone company, the rainfall is general over Brazos county, reaching as far north as Hearne and south as far as Navasota.

Washington Boy Is Outstanding U.S. Club Leader

WASHINGTON, Dec. 3.—20-year-old Kenneth Kinshaw of Goldendale, Washington, has been designated the most outstanding leader of the country's 600,000 farm boys' and girls' club members and awarded the Moses leadership trophy for this year. John Visny, Bethel, Conn., won second place and Arlington Eddy, Wessington Springs, S. D., third.

Executive Board of Good Cheer Calls For Attendance at Meeting On December 13th To Make Plans

The executive board of the Bryan and Brazos County Good Cheer Association will meet on Monday afternoon, Dec. 13, at 4:30, in the Chamber of Commerce rooms to make final plans for the annual work of the Association. Every citizen of Bryan and Brazos county is urged to attend and give aid in making these plans, which mean so much to the welfare of the entire community. It is the desire of the committee that each citizen have a part in this work.

Year by year this work has grown until it now covers a very large scope and cannot be successfully carried out by a faithful few, but if Bryan is to rightfully fulfill its obligation to its needy, it must have the co-operation of all the citizens.

The committee cannot do this work alone. Your help and co-operation are needed.

Federation Day Is Celebrated By Bryan Women

That the federation spirit of unity and co-operation among the club women of Bryan and College and also the women of these communities who are not members of the clubs, was evidenced Wednesday at Carnegie Library auditorium, when the Bryan Woman's Club celebrated Federation Day, with an open meeting to which all were invited.

Bright hues roses in silver bowls and fall chrysanthemums in vases and baskets gave a touch of decoration and made the rooms most inviting. A receiving line stood at the door, to greet each visitor. Mrs. R. S. Webb, president of the Woman's Club, giving first welcome. Mrs. Webb was assisted by Mrs. E. W. Bullock, of the Reading Club; Mrs. J. M. Ferguson, of the Music Study Club; Mrs. H. H. Williamson, of the Extension Club; Mrs. Geo. P. Groat, of the Campus Study Club; Mrs. H. B. McDowell and Mrs. M. R. Bentley, Parent-Teachers Associations; Mrs. M. Francis, Delphian Society; with the following officers of Fourth District T. F. W. C., also in line: Mrs. B. F. Clark, secretary of Fourth District; Mrs. J. J. Taubehaus, chairman publicity; Mrs. A. M. Waldrop, chairman finance; Mrs. T. O. Walton, chairman Indian Welfare Work; Mrs. Geo. L. Crawford, chairman program; Mrs. J. R. Bender, president, Ninth District P-T-A.

The program of the day was called promptly at 3:30 as announced. Mrs. R. S. Webb welcomed the guests in a cherry speech of pleasant words, after which Mrs. J. N. Goodwin, as leader of the day, took charge of the program.

The program as published in the Eagle of Tuesday, was gone through, with every number a delight and every minute of the time spent in a manner both pleasant and profitable. The meeting adjourned at 5 p. m.

Golden Jubilee Celebration Closes Today With Memorial Services

Favored by exceptionally good weather, under a blue sky and smiling sun, the members of St. Joseph's congregation observed the Golden Jubilee of their parish. Beginning at the early morning hour of 6 o'clock, masses were offered at which large numbers of faithful were present to thank God for the blessings received by the parish during the 50 years of its existence. At 8 o'clock our beloved Bishop C. E. Byrne was the celebrant of the mass, assisted by Revs. N. Domanski and R. R. Scherz, while the candidates for confirmation and many others approached the communion railing. After mass the Bishop spoke on the graces bestowed by the sacrament of confirmation, which makes us strong Christians and soldiers in the army of Christ. Sixty-five altar servers were delivered in Bohemian by Rev. Joseph Pelmar of Milan, formerly pastor of Bryan, in Polish by Rev. Szymanski of Bremond, in German by Rev. G. Apel of Cameron and in Italian by Rev. B. Bravi of St. Anthony's. At 11:20 a solemn procession of the Bishop and priests wended its way from the rectory to the church. The altars were decorated in white and gold, the priests attired in gold vestments in keeping with the character of the celebration. The offices of Bryan, Deacon Rev. G. Wilhelm of Houston, sub-Deacon Rev. M. Leahy of La Porte. Assistant Priest Rev. J. B. Gleissner. Master of ceremonies Revs. S. Zientik of Marlin and M. Budnik of Chappel Hill. An eloquent sermon on the meaning of the Jubilee was delivered by the Bishop. At the close of the mass the school children, priests and bishop proceeded to the school for the benediction of the building after which all returned to the church for final benediction. The hymn, "Holy God We Praise Thy Name" terminated the beautiful and inspiring service. Present for the celebration were the following clergymen: Right Rev. C. E. Byrne, D. D., Galveston; Rev. B. Lee, St. Mary's Cathedral, Galveston; Rev. J. S. Murphy, L. L. D., St. Patrick's Church, Galveston; Rev. J. Pelmar, West; Rev. C. Precker, Tours; Rev. G. Apel, Cameron; Rev. T. Szymanski, Bremond; Rev. G. Wilhelm, Houston; Rev. N. Domanski, Anderson; Rev. M. Leahy, La Porte; Rev. J. Mongeau, Austin; Rev. M. Budnik, Chappel Hill; Rev. J. Klobouk, Ellinger; Rev. R. Lherz, Plantersville; Rev. L. Zientik, Marlin; Rev. P. Litwora, Bryan, and Rev. J. B. Gleissner, Bryan.

Thursday morning Memorial services were held for those of the parishioners who departed this life during the past 50 years.

Sacred Pantomimic Pageant, "The Christ Child," Will Be Given On Christmas Eve Night A. & M. College

In order to put new life and feeling into the carol singing, a sacred pantomimic pageant, "The Christ Child" is to be given on Christmas eve at College. Three choirs will draw inspiration and will sing those wonderful old carols, while the Biblical play is enacted by the Angel's Mary, Elizabeth, Joseph; Innkeeper, Mae Men, and Shepherds—not leaving out the Star.

Mrs. D. C. McIntosh, assisted by R. J. Dunn and Mrs. Edward Williams, will have charge of the carol singing.

Professor Spriggs of the English department of A. & M. College, has charge of the pageant.

After the sacred pageant at the Assembly Hall, the singers, performers and audience will go to the annual Christmas party at the Y. M. C. A. to see Santa Claus, the tree, everything.

Mrs. McIntosh explains that there will be a vested choir of the young people for a processional, a stationary choir of adults, and a choir composed of the whole assembly. The assembly choir will sing, "Hark the Herald Angels Sing", "Joy to the World" and "Silent Night."

Mrs. A. B. Conner, general chairman of the annual Christmas eve party at College, has appointed the following chairmen of committees:

Mrs. D. C. McIntosh, program; Mrs. Dan Scoates, finance; Mrs. C. W. Burchard, decoration; Mrs. Duncan, refreshments; Santa Claus, tree and everything.

Cotton Essay Rules For \$100 Prize Will Be Announced

Full announcement of the rules, details and progress of the Cotton Co-operative Marketing, Essay Contest for Brazos county will be given in next week's issue of the Bryan Weekly Eagle.

Following the decision made early last month by the Brazos County Farm Bureau Cotton Association to offer \$100.00 in cash prizes to the grade and high school children of the county, announcement that the contest would be conducted was promptly made and plans started for conducting the contest.

The contest will be open to all white children attending either grade schools or high schools in this county. Already much interest is being shown in the undertaking. A number of inquiries have been made about the contest and the move is also being indorsed from numerous sources.

In addition to the announcement which will be made in the paper next week, the plans will also be announced in each school throughout the county so that all entrants in the contest may have a fair chance in the competition.

Ben F. Love Dies At Hammond

Bryan friends regret to learn of the death of Mr. Ben F. Love, Friday, December 3, 1926, at 5 p. m. at the home of his son, James Love, at Hammond, Texas. Deceased was a brother of Mrs. W. S. Stuart of Bryan and has visited here often.

Ben F. Love, aged 78 years, was one of four children of a prominent pioneer Texas family, and is the first of the family to pass away. The remaining brother and sisters are: Pat Love, aged 80 years, Franklin; Mrs. F. R. Colard, age 76 years, Fort Worth; Mrs. W. S. Stuart, age 74, Bryan. Ben F. Love was reared at old

Fairfield, in Freestone county, Texas, and his parents are buried in the Fairfield cemetery. Deceased is survived by three sons, James Love, Hammond; Ben Love, Jr., Franklin; A. C. Love, State Highway Engineer, Austin.

The funeral will be held Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at Calverton cemetery. Mrs. W. S. Stuart and family and many friends of the deceased living in Bryan will attend.

Methodist Women Show Good Work

Mrs. W. H. Cole, president of the Woman's Missionary Society of the First Methodist church, presided over the closing meeting of the year Monday afternoon at the church, when the regular business meeting was held and reports of officers for the year were given. Dr. H. H. McCain, pastor, led the devotional and talked on "Christian Service", bringing the message to the women that there is nothing that will bring such results of happiness and contentment as service to others. Those giving reports were: Mrs. A. K. Brown, secretary; Mrs. W. Crenshaw, vice-president; Mrs. T. A. Adams, treasurer; Mrs. Nat Allen, corresponding secretary; Mrs. J. E. Covey, superintendent of supplies; Mrs. Dave Munday, voice agent; Mrs. J. N. Jenkins, superintendent of local work; Mrs. W. M. Owens, social service; Mrs. H. N. Cochran, Mission Study superintendent; Mrs. R. E. Smith, children's work; Miss Nell Cole, publicity. The reports revealed a substantial growth in the society, both as to membership and accomplishments.

Mrs. J. N. Goodwin made a report to the society from the Federation of Church Societies, and Mrs. Cole, the retiring president, thanked each for their co-operation during the year and pledged her undivided service to the incoming president and her co-workers.

At the meeting were read the revision of the group personnel, which are changed each year, so that the different works will have different associates and to the end that cliques or factions are not formed. The following is the new division by groups:

Group No. 1.—Mesdames W. H. Cole, Dora Carnes, Mattie Hall, J. E. Covey, R. O. Allen, W. E. Neely, E. A. Miller, Hugo Lenz, J. T. McDonald, Mary Ewing, Green Stallings, Wade Cox, W. E. Saunders, E. W. Crenshaw, J. S. Doane, J. W. Coulter, R. B. Welch, J. O. Tucker, J. W. Hall and Miss Lillie Hall.

Group No. 2.—Mesdames E. C. Harder, S. E. Eberstadt, C. R. Gardner, Jno. M. Lawrence, Tom Poole, C. S. Martin, W. C. Boyett, G. C. Sublett, Oak McKenzie, Josie Lawrence, H. C. Fulgham, H. A. Robinson, C. L. Eden, Baker, J. H. Webb, J. C. Davidson, P. H. Hensarling, Lee Mike, J. W. Barron, C. J. Janick and H. H. Young.

Group No. 3.—Mesdames W. B. Cline, C. A. Lewis, R. M. Dansby, J. N. Goodwin, W. W. Solomon, J. N. Goodwin, J. H. Beard, M. L. Hayes, Bessie Lawrence, Pearl Martin, W. G. Alsbrook, L. A. Koedig, H. H. McCain, R. W. Downard, J. E. Priddy, Alf Wilson, Fannie Chatham, E. J. Jenkins and H. N. Cochran.

Group No. 4.—Mesdames A. M. Waldrop, T. A. Adams, Jim Darwin, Albert Hanneman, B. T. Clark, W. A. Deaton, S. A. McMillen, J. L. Bette, Geo. Barnes, Lee J. Rountree, G. W. Emory, J. D. Martin, E. R. Williams, S. D. Pierce, W. F. Gibbs, J. R. Edwards, Knox Williams, White, C. C. Shelburne and Dave Munday.

Public Auction Saturday To Be a Feature of Brazos County Poultry Show To Be Held Here Dec. 9, 10, 11

Will M. Jones, president of the Brazos County Poultry Association, presided at the meeting Monday night, the principal matter of business being that relating to plans for holding the poultry show Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week. The consensus of opinion was that if the weather was at all favorable the show would be one of the biggest ever held in this county.

F. W. Kazmeier, proprietor of the Bryan Hatchery, thinks that the auction sale scheduled for Saturday, 2 p. m., will, perhaps, be the beginning of general auction sales where people may purchase poultry in large numbers.

Secretary Eberstadt of the Bryan Chamber of Commerce will be the auctioneer. The birds to be sold will be standard breed, and many of them may be blue ribbon winners of the show. Those desiring foundation stock for a dependable flock, should attend this sale and purchase at least a pen of birds from high production pens, most of the birds being from

trap-nested S. C. White Leghorns, Barred Rocks and S. C. Rhode Island Reds, from the A. & M. College of Texas. If you need a fine young cockerel to head your flock, don't fail to look the show over, and select therefrom such as you may need. Poultry specialists present will be glad to give helpful suggestions in selecting cockerels for your breeding pens.

To Display Chart Charts and other educational matter will be displayed at the show to help those in learning more about the poultry business, the desire being that Brazos county poultry raisers will do those things necessary to make the business most profitable, and be in position to supply other parts of the country with the very best breeding stock and the highest class market eggs.

A guessing contest will be provided for all who attend the show, which will be open Thursday, Friday and Saturday till 3 p. m. The show will be open nights till 10 o'clock.

Bryan DeMolays Have Enthusiastic Meeting-New Officers Are Installed

Bryan DeMolays met at the Masonic Temple in Bryan Saturday night for installation of officers. Richard Grant served as installing officer, with Robert Wilcox as marshal. Officers installed were: Joe Lloyd, master counselor; Bates Griffith, senior counselor; Albert Hanneman, junior counselor; Stuart Cole, treasurer; George Martin, Jr., secretary; Richard Grant, senior deacon; Vergne Adams, junior deacon. Stewards: R. E. Dansby and David Bunting; Charles Edge, chaplain; Harry Dishman sentinel; James Pipkin, marshal; Robert Wilcox, standard bearer; Preceptors: Wallace Locke, Hendrix Conway, Jr., Horace Dansby, Jr., Edwin Janick, D. Illeback, B. V. Howell, Lynn Griffin.

The advisory board composed of Masons, who are sponsoring and encouraging the DeMolays in their work is composed of: H. E. Randolph, chairman; L. E. Dowd, J. D. Martin, M. M. Montgomery, Capt. Geo. Griner, F. E. Lichte, George Long and J. R. Wright. These men were present and took

Former Brazos Residents Have Wedding Party

The Jacksonville Daily Progress, issued December 1, 1926, contained a write-up of the "Sixtieth Anniversary of the marriage of Rev. and Mrs. S. R. McClung of Jacksonville, who are living quietly in their home in that city. Rev. and Mrs. McClung were former Brazos county residents and have many friends here who join their many friends in Jacksonville in wishing for them many more years of happiness together. Mrs. J. G. Minkert of Bryan, Mrs. James Wilson of Normange, and Mrs. A. G. Guber of Jacksonville, daughters, and C. R. and L. S. McClung of Jacksonville, sons, were present with their parents on the date of their sixtieth marriage anniversary which was November 29th. Rev. and Mrs. McClung were the recipients of many gifts and many expressions of love and thoughtfulness from friends on the day.

Suffered weak, nervous

"I WAS in a very weakened, run-down condition, surely in need of a tonic and builder," says Mrs. J. R. Wrenn, of Anna, Texas. "I was so weak I had to go to bed, and kept getting weaker."

"I suffered with my back so much. I was very nervous, couldn't rest good at night. I couldn't eat anything. I just wasn't hungry."

"I had read so much of Cardui. I thought best to use it. I took seven or eight bottles, and by the time I had taken them I was stronger than I had been in several years. I can highly recommend Cardui."

"Thousands of others have found that the tonic effects of the purely vegetable ingredients of Cardui were just what they needed to help restore their appetite, to help bring them easily and naturally back to normal health and strength."

It should help you, too. Buy Cardui at your local druggist's.

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NOTICE

TO THOSE WHO HAD UNINSURED COTTON IN THE LAWRENCE WAREHOUSE FIRE

Please turn in your names and the number of bales of cotton at once in order that you will be able to receive your proportionate amount from the cotton that was salvaged. Please make report to the Lawrence Warehouse.

Underwriters' Salvage Company

Former Bryan Boy And Girl Appear On Music Program

"The Fannin School Parent-Teachers' Association met in regular session Friday afternoon with a full attendance and carried out an interesting program.

Mrs. J. P. Benkenrofer, past president of the Mothers' Council and Parent-Teacher Association and also of Brackenridge High P. T. A., was the speaker for the afternoon. She gave an interesting talk on "Relation of Parent-Teacher associations to the home and school."

Gabe Cazell, Jr., played a piano solo and the first grade pupils amused the mothers by dramatizing the story "Chicken Little", in which Margaret Cazell took the leading part.

The social hour followed, during which refreshments were served by Mrs. Walter Manger, third vice-president and a capable committee acting as hostesses.—San Antonio Express.

Gabe Cazell, Jr., and Margaret Cazell are the children of Mr. and Mrs. Gabe Cazell, who formerly made their home in Bryan and their many friends will read with pleasure about their accomplishments.

'The Goose Hangs High' Modern Play

"The Goose Hangs High" is the story of a real, live, wide-awake modern American family. There are three children in the family and two of them are away at college while, Hugh, the oldest is in New York. Christmas comes and with that the homecoming of the children. As is natural the children have become more mature since they were at home the last time and many things they say and do rather disturb the mother and father while they completely shock the aristocratic grandmother. (By the way, Granny doesn't know it but she is the comedienne of the show). Bernard Ingala, the father, has been tax assessor for 18 years and things come about at the city hall in such a way that he loses his position. Then the children show what is in them—that though the younger generation may seem hard and callous to the little things they are wide awake to the big things and you can always count on them in an emergency.

Young men and women will be at this show to see themselves truly and accurately portrayed, mothers and fathers will be there to get some pointers on the ways of their sons and daughters, those who love a keen, truly American story will be there for the pure enjoyment of it, and preachers will be there to find out what modern youth believes. In fact, there will be 510 people at the Palace on Tuesday night, Dec. 14, at 7:45 to see the best show yet produced by the Bryan Little Theatre—even better than "Wedding Bells." Admission 75 cents for reserved seats, 50 cents for unreserved.

Mrs. McDowell Will Address West Side Association

The West Side Parent-Teacher Association will hold its December meeting on Thursday afternoon at 3:45 o'clock. An interesting program has been arranged to include discussion on Juvenile Courts, Public Play Grounds and Public Libraries as serving to prevent Juvenile crime. Mrs. B. B. McDowell, president of the West Side Association will be present to give a report of the State Parent-Teachers Association Congress held in Ft. Worth recently. A full attendance is urged.

HOUSTON POST-DISPATCH SUBSCRIPTION DRIVE

The Houston Post-Dispatch is conducting an intensive drive for mail subscription this year.

The regular mail rate of \$9.00 a year has been reduced to \$5.95, a saving of \$3.05 and hundreds of new subscribers are being added to their list daily.

In September a Rotogravure Section was added to the Sunday paper and the price raised to 10c a copy. It is now possible to secure by mail, the paper daily and Sunday for a year for only 75c more than the Sunday paper alone would cost purchased each Sunday. There is also a reduction in the price of the daily only edition, the regular rate for this is \$6.00 and the reduced rate is \$4.45 for a year's subscription.

Reductions have also been made for six months subscriptions, the daily and Sunday edition six months is only \$3.45 and the daily only for the same period of time is \$2.25.

These reduced rates will be in effect until January 1, 1927, and afford a wonderful opportunity for those wishing to secure a metropolitan newspaper to do so at a considerable saving.

WANTED—Two dozen Plymouth Rock year-old hens. Address J. R. Astin, Mumford, Texas, Box 67.

READ THE
WANT ADS

BOAZOS COUNTY Boys' and Girls' Club Department Club Notes and Farm News by County Agent C. L. Benson

May Ship To Denmark
While county agents and home demonstration agents were visiting the Texas Creamery in Houston during the agents' meeting, John W. Luker, manager of the Texas Creamery, stated that if we would go to the ship channel we might see Texas cotton seed meal being shipped to Denmark, where it would be fed to cows in order that the Danes might ship their dairy products back to the United States. Mr. Luker also stated that the quality of the cream he was receiving from Kurten, Brazos county, was among the best he obtained anywhere in Texas. Rev. J. J. Kasiskie of Kurten deserves a great deal of credit for helping build up the cream industry in the Kurten community. With further co-operation, the enterprise could be made worth while. Just think, the Dane is the most prosperous farmer in the world, and yet he buys his cow feed, cotton seed meal, in the United States.

Sheep Profits Are All Velvet
W. B. Bunch, of Marianna, Lee county, Arkansas, is demonstrating that sheep raising is a paying phase of farming. Last winter Mr. Bunch had 53 sheep. He raised 51 lambs and sold 393 of these lambs for \$247.25. He also sold three ewes for \$22.50 and wool brought him a check for \$65, making a total of \$334.75. His flock now numbers 67.

Mr. Bunch says that his sales were practically clear profit. He fed the sheep 3,000 pounds of bad cottonseed and about \$27 worth of oats. During the winter they picked up enough in the field to live on.—Mrs. Mary L. Ballew, Hollywood, Ark.

Not Enough Poultry
In speaking of the possibilities of the poultry industry in the South, C. A. Cobb, editor of the Southern Ruralist, declares that we have not yet produced enough poultry to supply our home markets. "Cuba's egg bill," says Mr. Cobb, "is three and a quarter million dollars." "Where sound production practices and sound marketing methods are being followed the poultry industry is paying, and where poultry is intelligently combined with cows and hogs it is paying better still." "The average Dane has only a few cows, only a small flock of poultry, and not many pigs, yet he is the most prosperous farmer in the world. His annual income is twice that of the annual income here."

Boone Prairie
BOONE PRAIRIE, Dec. 8.—The box super at the school auditorium Friday night was not as great a success as was expected. Nevertheless we are proud of what was received. The money will be used to buy the girls a new basketball and for the benefit of the girls domestic science and boys manual training. The one that received the box as being the prettiest girl was Miss Floye Frazer.

The White Rock boys and girls team motored over Friday afternoon to play our boys and girls. The scores were 10 to 11 in favor of both the Boone Prairie girls and boys.

The boys went over on Wednesday afternoon and played Cross

Prof. Sells Pecans.
Some few years ago Dr. A. Caswell Ellis of the University of Texas began the propagation of paper shell pecans on native trees on his farm in Robertson county, Texas, a few miles from Franklin. The Houston Post-Dispatch carried a story a few days ago stating that last year Dr. Ellis harvested 600 pounds and sold them for \$1.00 a pound, and this year's crop was 1,600 pounds and sold for 60 cents a pound.

Many of our Brazos county people are becoming interested in pecan propagation, seeing the results of a few budding demonstration which have been conducted, and are now planning to put out pecan orchards or groves, or top work native trees. Before going too far with the work, those interested in these projects should first ascertain what would be the best variation for this section. Dean E. J. Kyle, one of the best posted men on pecan culture in the United States, would be glad to help those interested in such enterprise. If too busy to see Dean Kyle, see your county agent who will obtain the desired information for you.

Feed Important
Director Chas. H. Alvord, in speaking to the County Agents at the recent district meeting held in Houston, called attention to the fact the bulletins issued by the A. and M. College on "Safe Farming" from 1898 up to the present time were practically the same, whether the bulletins were issued in flood time or during the war. "Failure to produce cotton is a disappointment, but failure to produce feed is a calamity," he said.

"WE'RE IN THE NAVY NOW."

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PALACE THEATRE

THURSDAY, FRIDAY AND SATURDAY

Roads. The score was 17 to 26 in favor of our team. We have a good team although the majority of the boys are small.

George B. Ingle of Kosse, spent Sunday with his aunt Mrs. Ed Baker.

Chester Shuck of Ennis spent the past week with his cousin Raymond Richardson.

Henry Ellison, who is boarding at John Dowdy's, spent the week-end with home folks.

The Old Stork visited the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Nicholson and Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Carter and left a girl at the Nicholson home and a boy at the Carter

home. The car in which Lee Reddin and Albert Darty were riding Saturday morning overturned near Bremond. Lee is suffering from a broken arm and Albert a crushed leg. They also have cuts about the face and neck, and about the body which are very severe. They were returning from Bremond with medicine for Albert's wife. They were taken to Bremond, then sent to the Marlin Sanitarium where they were put under medical treatment. They are probably fatally wounded. They both reside at this place. Albert has a wife and two children. Lee has been working in

Corsicana and was home to visit his parents. The car was torn to pieces. It was a new 1927 Ford Roadster which belonged to Lee. He had bought it that morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewitt Stanford spent the week-end with Mr. Lee Stanford of Urairie Grove.

The candy breaking at the home of J. E. Elison Saturday night was enjoyed by many. Several games were played and also had some music. Everyone reported a fine time.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Richardson spent Sunday with their parents Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Allee.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Shuck of Dal-

ANNUAL SHOW EXPECTED TO BE BEST IN HISTORY OF BRAZOS

Catalogues and Copies of the Bryan Weekly Eagle Distributed Throughout Local Trade Territory—Drive Progressing Splendidly for \$10,000 Chamber Commerce Budget.

Plans are perfected for the Brazos County Poultry Show to be held in Bryan December 9, 10, and 11, it was announced at Tuesday's meeting of the Chamber of Commerce by J. Webb Howell, chairman of the Agricultural committee. He said that catalogues had been distributed to poultry raisers, and 3,000 editions of the Bryan Weekly Eagle had been sent over the trade territory. Reports indicate that this will be the most successful poultry show ever held in Central Texas.

W. H. Cole reported that the \$10,000 budget drive was progressing satisfactorily.

E. A. Holland of Lubbock, former Brazos county citizen, was introduced by his life-time friend, Judge H. O. Ferguson, who made a talk on Chamber of Commerce work. Motion carried that the President appoint a committee of three to inspect the by-laws of the organization, and make recommendations at the annual meeting. At the next meeting of the Commissioners' Court at Houston Judge H. O. Ferguson and John M.

las spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Dock Richardson.

Claude Dowdy who is working in Houston spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Dowdy.

The play ground has four new swings and a slide. Some seesaws and a new fountain are to be put up next week. There are three basketball courts. The girls and little boys haven't yet received their balls, while the larger boys' ball was stolen Friday night. We hope to trace the thief and get the ball. If the ball is never found we hope the one who got it will have a fine time playing.

Edna and Ollie Mae Bray spent Sunday with Eunice and Lois Baker.

Miss Etta Peters returned Monday from a week-end visit with home folks in Franklin and New Baden, also spent two days in Austin with her sister, Mrs. Albert Rise and her nephew, Herbert Rise, who is a University student, and who met with an auto accident. He with his mother, will leave for their home in Kansas City, shortly.

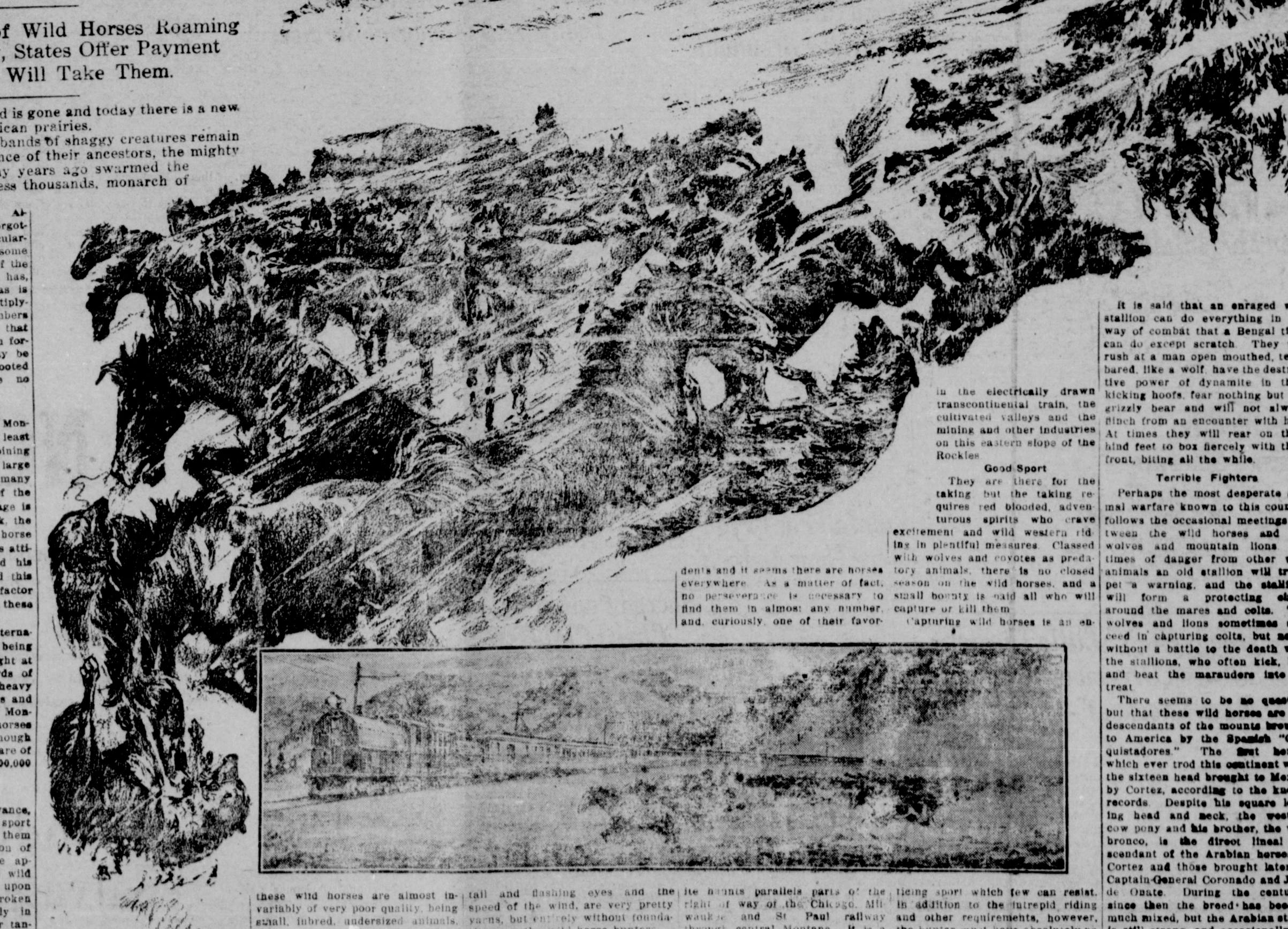
Before man made us citizens, great Nature made us men.—Lowell.

What is honorable is also safe.—Livy.

Those present: Geo. A. Adams, Wilson Bradley, W. H. Cole, Judge H. O. Ferguson, W. F. Gelber, Tyler Haswell, J. Webb Howell, E. J. Jenkins, John M. Lawrence, J. D. Martin, J. Bryan Miller, Mrs. Lee J. Rountree, and M. F. Vitopil.

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NOBODY'S HORSES



With Thousands of Wild Horses Roaming Western Country, States Offer Payment to All Who Will Take Them.

THE thundering herd is gone and today there is a new king of the American prairies. A few small bands of shaggy creatures remain as the only evidence of their ancestors, the mighty bison, which not so many years ago swarmed the plains country in countless thousands, monarch of these vast regions.

Now comes the lowly horse. Although he nearly has been forgotten, in parts of the East particularly, and his appearance in some cities draws even curiosities, he has, far from becoming extinct, as is generally presumed, been multiplying in a wild state in such numbers during the past few years that where the great herds of bison formerly roamed there now may be seen flying bands of fleet footed "cayuses" who acknowledge no master.

Montana Has Most
A recent investigation by Montana shows that state has at least 400,000 wild horses! Adjoining states, especially those with large Indian reservations, harbor many more thousands. In spite of the fact that every bit of pasturage is needed for valuable live stock, the Indian will neither kill a wild horse nor allow others to do it. His attitude towards the horse and his dogs cannot be changed, and this undoubtedly is an important factor behind the situation in which these states find themselves.

It is a situation full of consternation for them, for instead of being an asset of real value, as might at first be supposed, these herds of wild horses are bringing heavy losses to hundreds of farmers and ranchmen. According to the Montana investigation, the wild horses in that state are consuming enough pasturage each year to take care of 1,000,000 head of sheep or 800,000 head of cattle.

Steel Ranch Stock
In addition to this annoyance, the wild stallions have a little sport of their own which lowers them still further in the estimation of the western citizens. There apparently isn't anything these wild ones enjoy more than to come upon a "remuda," or herd of broken ranch horses grazing quietly in their range, dash up, whispering tales in the ears of their tame friends and then lead the domesticated animals off at a lively gallop, never to return. In such company it is said to be a matter of but a few days before the saddle

and draft animals become incurably wild.

Extremely difficult to capture, hard to break when captured, and of little or no use when tamed, these wild horses are almost invariably of very poor quality, being small, lumbering, undersized animals, seldom weighing more than 700 or 800 pounds. The stories of the prize stallions, coal black, pure white or golden, as the case may be, but always magnificent, with streaming mane, long, sweeping

tail and flashing eyes and the speed of the wind, are very pretty yarns, but entirely without foundation, say the wild horse hunters.

The Australian wild rabbit is no more of a nuisance in that continent than the American wild horse is in this. A few minutes conversation with these Montana residents and it seems there are horses everywhere. As a matter of fact, no personage is necessary to find them in almost any number, and, curiously, one of their favorite

is the electrically drawn transcontinental train, the cultivated valleys and the mining and other industries on this eastern slope of the Rockies.

Good Sport
They are there for the taking but the taking requires red blooded, adventurous spirits who crave excitement and wild western ride. In plentiful measures. Classed with wolves and coyotes as predatory animals, there is no closed season on the wild horses, and a small party is said all who will capture or kill them.

Terrible Fighters
Perhaps the most desperate animal warfare known to this country follows the occasional meetings between the wild horses and the wolves and mountain lions. In times of danger from other wild animals an old stallion will trumpet a warning, and the stallions will form a protecting circle around the mares and colts. The wolves and lions sometimes succeed in capturing colts, but never without a battle to the death with the stallions, who often kick, bite and beat the marauders into retreat.

There seems to be no question but that these wild horses are the descendants of the mounts brought to America by the Spanish "Conquistadores." The first horses which ever trod this continent were the sixteen head brought to Mexico by Cortez, according to the known records. Despite his square looking head and neck, the western cow pony and his brother, the wild bronco, is the direct lineal descendant of the Arabian horses of Cortez and those brought later by Captain-General Coronado and Juan de Oñate. During the centuries since then the breed has become much mixed, but the Arabian strain is still strong, and occasionally out on the prairies a "throwback" occurs and a colt is born which, with its beautiful head and neck, slim, muscular legs and dainty hoofs, is truly Arabian.